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Start Date: August 10, 2013

Location: Two miles NW of Terra. In Skull Valley East of the Skull Valley Indian Reservation (Lat. 40 20 29,

Long 112 40 12)

Jurisdiction: BLM

Fire Size: 14,000 acres

Cause: Lightning

Fire Behavior: Extreme rates of spread, spotting up to one mile, group torching.

Closures: Highway 199 (Johnson's Pass Road) is closed as a safety precaution for firefighters working in the area. In addition, roads and trails in the fire area are closed, but Skull Valley Road (Highway 196) remains open.

Evacuations: Precautionary evacuations are in effect for Willow Springs (NE of Terra). This should not be confused with South Willow Canyon near Grantsville.

Structures Threatened: 15 homes, 5 commercial properties

Percent Contained: 20% Containment

Fuels: Timber, brush, grass, juniper

Fire Crews/Resources: 12 engines, 4 20-person handcrews, a water tender, 2 helicopters, 2 air tankers, 2 dozers –

148 personnel

Injuries: 3 - dehydration

Summary: Today the fire moved closer to the community of Terra and spread to the northwest in the flats. Containment percentage has not changed. A precautionary evacuation is in effect for Willow Springs, northeast of Terra. Also, Highway 199 has been closed as a safety precaution for firefighters. Crews will continue to work in the Terra area to reinforce fireline to prevent the spread into residences and Highway 199 (Johnson's Pass). The fire is less than a mile from Terra and one mile from Highway 199. Firefighters will be accessing and determining the best way to fight the fire on the eastside canyons where it has slopped over in the mountain peaks. A dozer line is planned to contain the northwest flank.

Additional concerns are hunters beginning to move into the Stansbury Mountains with the opening of the archery hunt this weekend.

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